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Narcotic Drugs



NARCOTIC DRUGS (CONTROL)

ENFORCEMENT AND SANCTIONS) LAW, 1990

MEMORANDUM

The purpose of this Law is to bring under one enactment offences relating to illicit dealing in and to further put in place provisions that will prevent illicit narcotic drug dealers benefiting from their crimes.

In view of the rising incidence of narcotic drug abuse in the country and the threatening dimensions that illicit narcotic drug dealing has taken internationally, it has become necessary to revise the existing laws on by clearly spelling out the offences and providing realistic and deterring punishments in respect of them.

Furthermore, Ghana as a signatory to the United Nations Convention on Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances is obliged to enact national laws to implement the provisions of the Convention. To this end, provision is made in this Law for the pursuit, seizure and forfeiture of equipment used in the commission of narcotic drug offences and of properties and proceeds acquired or derived from narcotic drug offences or illicit narcotic drug dealings.

In furtherance of international co-operation and mutual assistance among member countries parties to the Convention, provision is made in this Law for assistance, on request, to foreign countries to enable them pursue and seize in Ghana, through due process of law, properties acquired or derived from illicit narcotic drug activities.

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